

## Additional Sponsor or Department Testimony

The Sponsor/department explain:

Centrally assessment (briefly)

Moves land line companies from Class 13 to Class 5 if the companies serve exclusively rural areas or cities/towns of less than 10,000 permanent or less

The impacted land line companies and rural areas served are:

Central Montana Communications, Inc. (land line) – Lewistown/Fergus  
Nemont Communications, Inc. (land line) – Glasgow area  
Northern Communications, Inc. (land line) – Cut Bank/Glacier  
RT Communications, Inc. (land line) – Worland area  
Advanced Communication Technology (land line) – Colstrip/Rosebud  
BCE Nixxia Corporation (land line) – Cut Bank/Glacier  
Frontier (Citizens Telecom Company) (land line) – Libby/Lincoln  
Verizon Northwest, Inc. (land line) – Mineral  
Noanet (land line) – Noxon/Sanders  
Sagebrush Cellular, Inc. (cell phone) – Hardin/Big Horn  
Triangle Communications Systems, Inc. (cell phone) – Lewistown/Fergus  
Cable & Communications Corp (cell phone) – Miles City/Custer

Exempts 50% of the market value of new cell phone property that is placed into service after January 1, 2009, for 10 years.